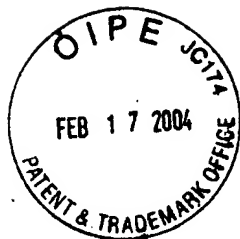


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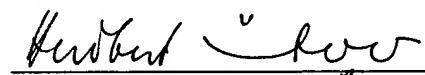
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Sir:

A request is hereby made for a two-month extension of time for responding to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2003, i.e., from December 14, 2003 to and including February 17, 2004 (February 14, 2004 being a Saturday and February 16, 2004 being a Federal Holiday). A check which includes the fee for a two-month extension of time (\$ 210.00 for a Small Entity) is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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